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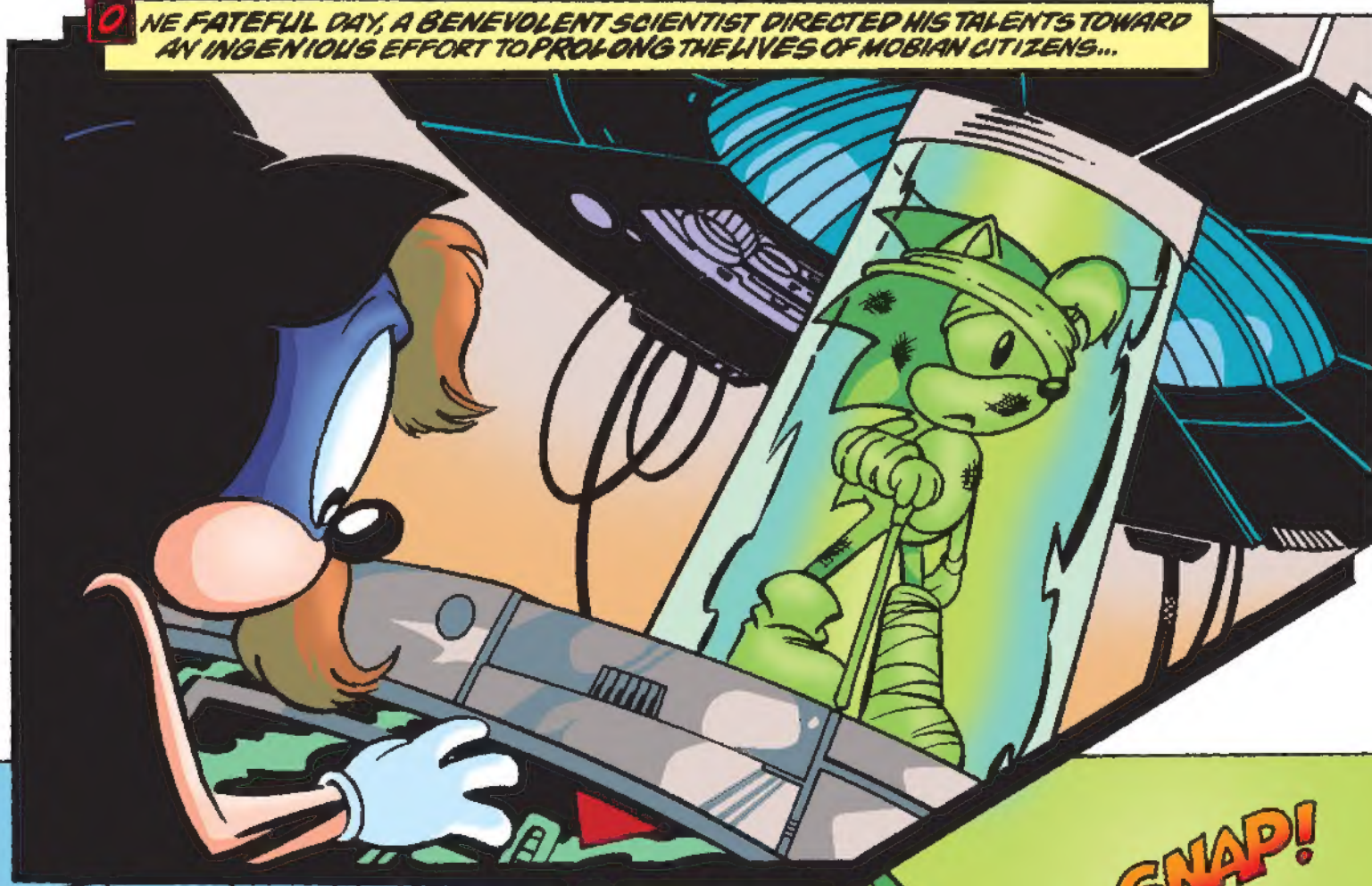
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SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG™



ON ONE FATEFUL DAY, A BENEVOLENT SCIENTIST DIRECTED HIS TALENTS TOWARD AN INGENUOUS EFFORT TO PROLONG THE LIVES OF MOBIAN CITIZENS...



...AND IN DOING SO, INADVERTENTLY CREATED AN INSTRUMENT OF DOMINATION, USED AS PART OF A SWEEPING TIDE OF TYRANNY, SIGNALING THE DOWNFALL OF PLANET MOBIUS AND ITS KINGDOM OF ACORN!



FOR THE LOVE OF MOBIUS--
NO!!!

THE
ROBOTICIZATION
PROCESS WORKED ALL TOO
WELL--NOW MY BROTHER
IS JUST A MINDLESS
MACHINE!

BREAK

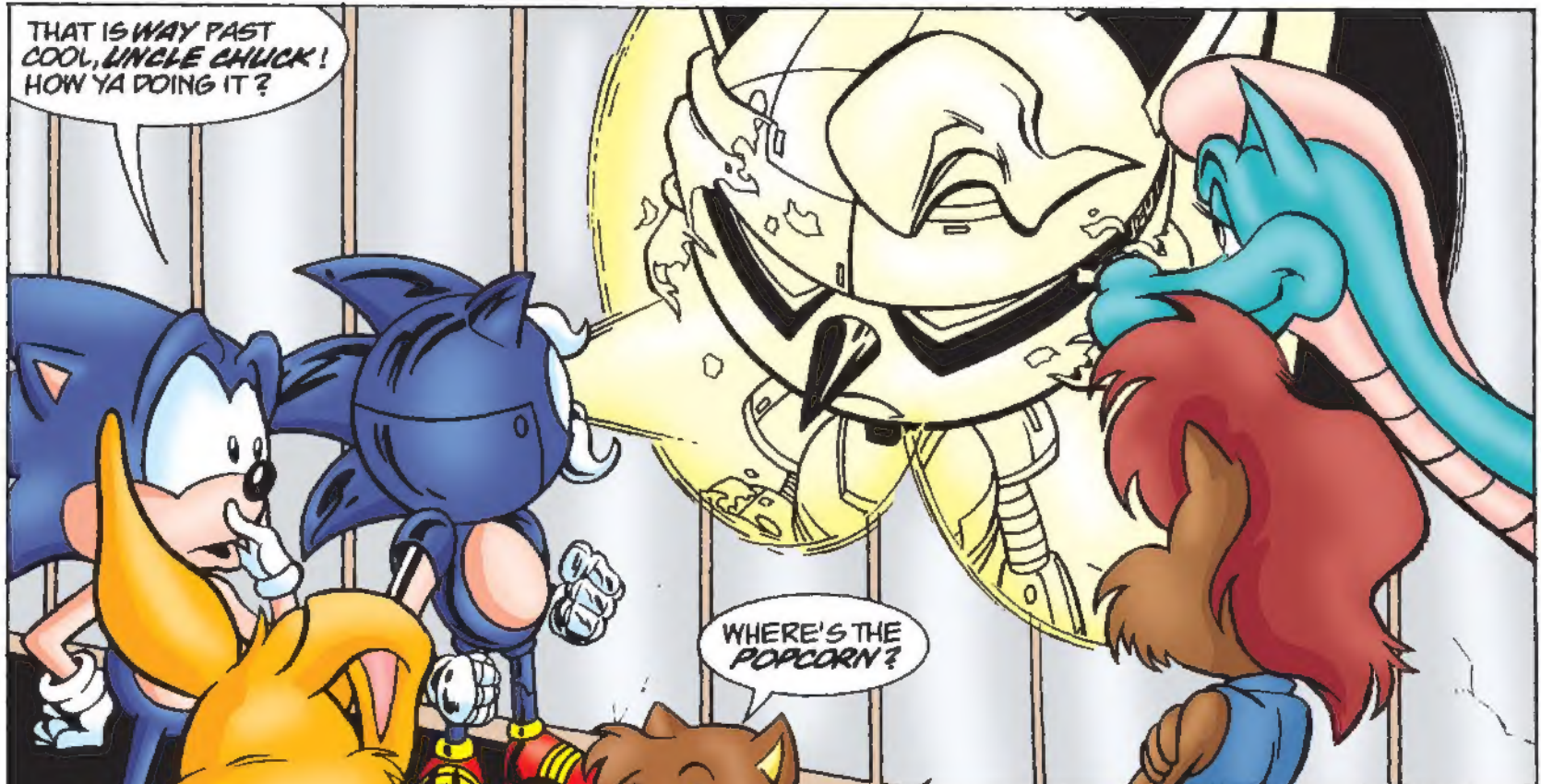
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A COUNTDOWN TO ARMAGEDDON

PART ONE

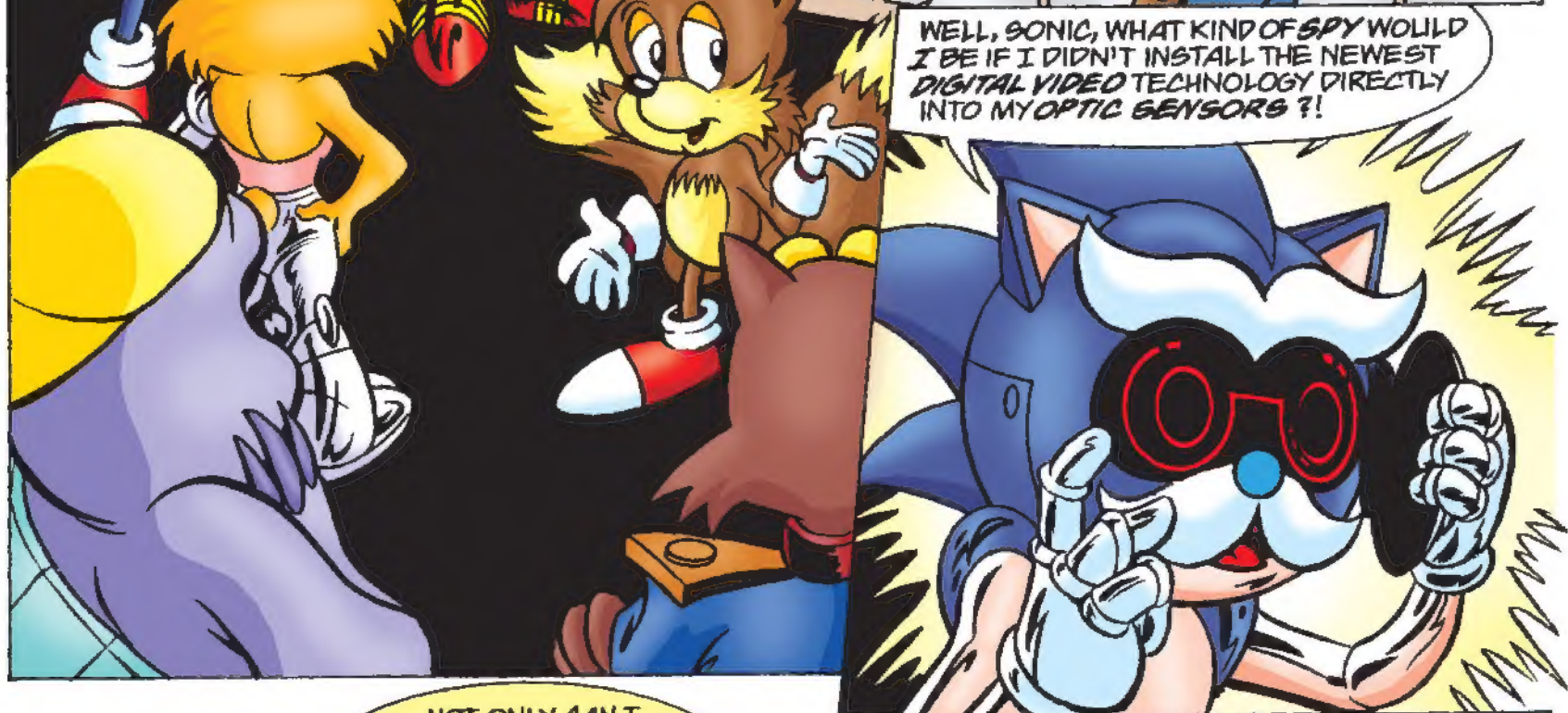
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THAT IS WAY PAST
COOL, UNCLE CHUCK!
HOW YA DOING IT?



WHERE'S THE
POPCORN?

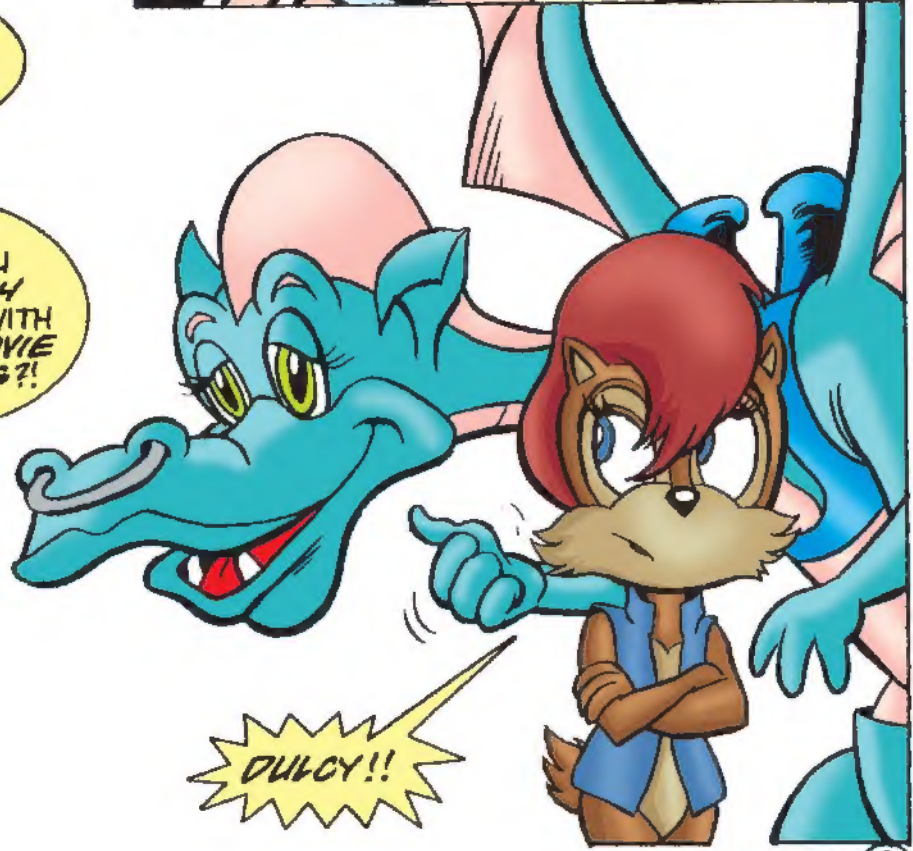
WELL, SONIC, WHAT KIND OF SPY WOULD
I BE IF I DIDN'T INSTALL THE NEWEST
DIGITAL VIDEO TECHNOLOGY DIRECTLY
INTO MY OPTIC SENSORS?!



NOT ONLY CAN I
RECORD WHAT I SEE,
BUT I CAN ALSO PLAY
BACK ANY PRE-RECORDED
VIDEO!



YEAH,
BUT DO YOU
HAVE A DISH
ANTENNAE WITH
A HUNDRED MOVIE
STATIONS?!



DULCY!!

NOT QUITE.
HOWEVER--

--RETRIEVED FROM
ROBOTROPOLIS BY MY SPY
NETWORK, THIS VIDEO IS
A BY-PRODUCT OF A SECRET
SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM
USED IN THE FORMER
ROYAL PALACE--

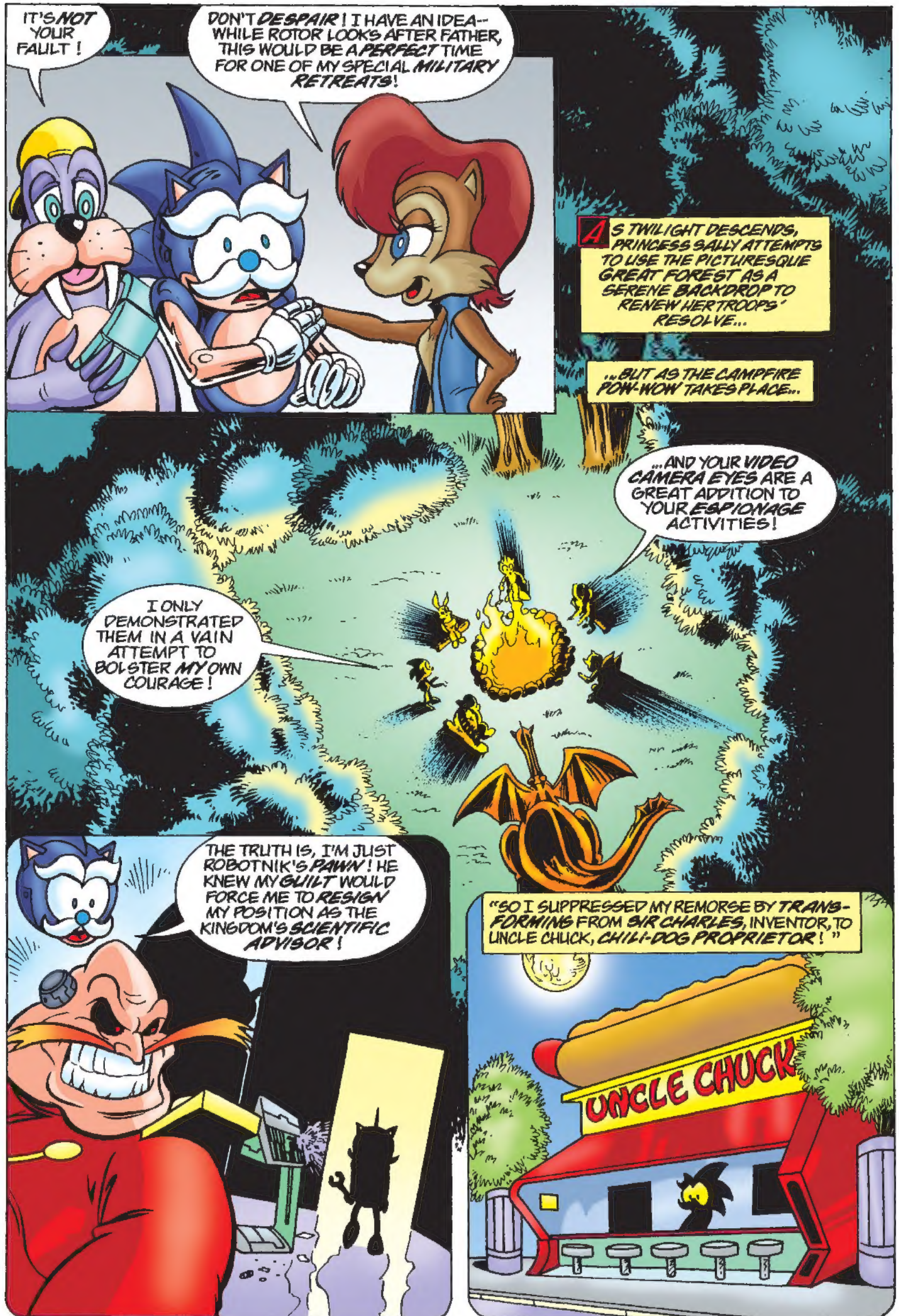
"--AND PROVIDES PROOF THAT
ROBOTNIK, IN HIS FORMER
IDENTITY AS **WARLORD
JULIAN**, SABOTAGED MY
ORIGINAL ROBOTICIZER!"

"IT WAS HIS INTERVENTION
THAT TRANSFORMED A
TOOL OF MEDICINE INTO A
WEAPON OF WAR."

AND EXCEPT FOR A
FEW TIMES WHEN WE WERE
LUCKY*, I DON'T THINK
WE'LL EVER BE ABLE TO
DEROBOTICIZE ALL
THOSE POOR SOULS!

SOME
HUMANITARIAN
I AM!

* CHECK OUT
SONIC #37-
EDITOR.



IT'S *NOT* YOUR FAULT!

DON'T *DESPAIR*! I HAVE AN IDEA--WHILE ROTOR LOOKS AFTER FATHER, THIS WOULD BE A *PERFECT* TIME FOR ONE OF MY SPECIAL *MILITARY RETREATS*!

AS TWILIGHT DESCENDS, PRINCESS SALLY ATTEMPTS TO USE THE PICTURESQUE GREAT FOREST AS A SERENE BACKDROP TO RENEW HER TROOPS' RESOLVE...

...BUT AS THE CAMPFIRE POW-WOW TAKES PLACE...

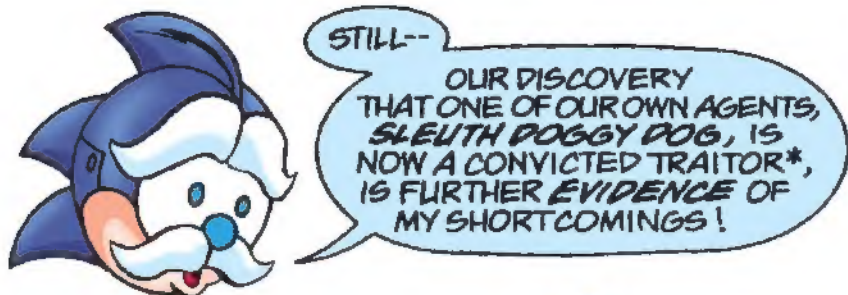
...AND YOUR VIDEO CAMERA EYES ARE A GREAT ADDITION TO YOUR ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES!

I ONLY DEMONSTRATED THEM IN A VAIN ATTEMPT TO BOLSTER MY OWN COURAGE!

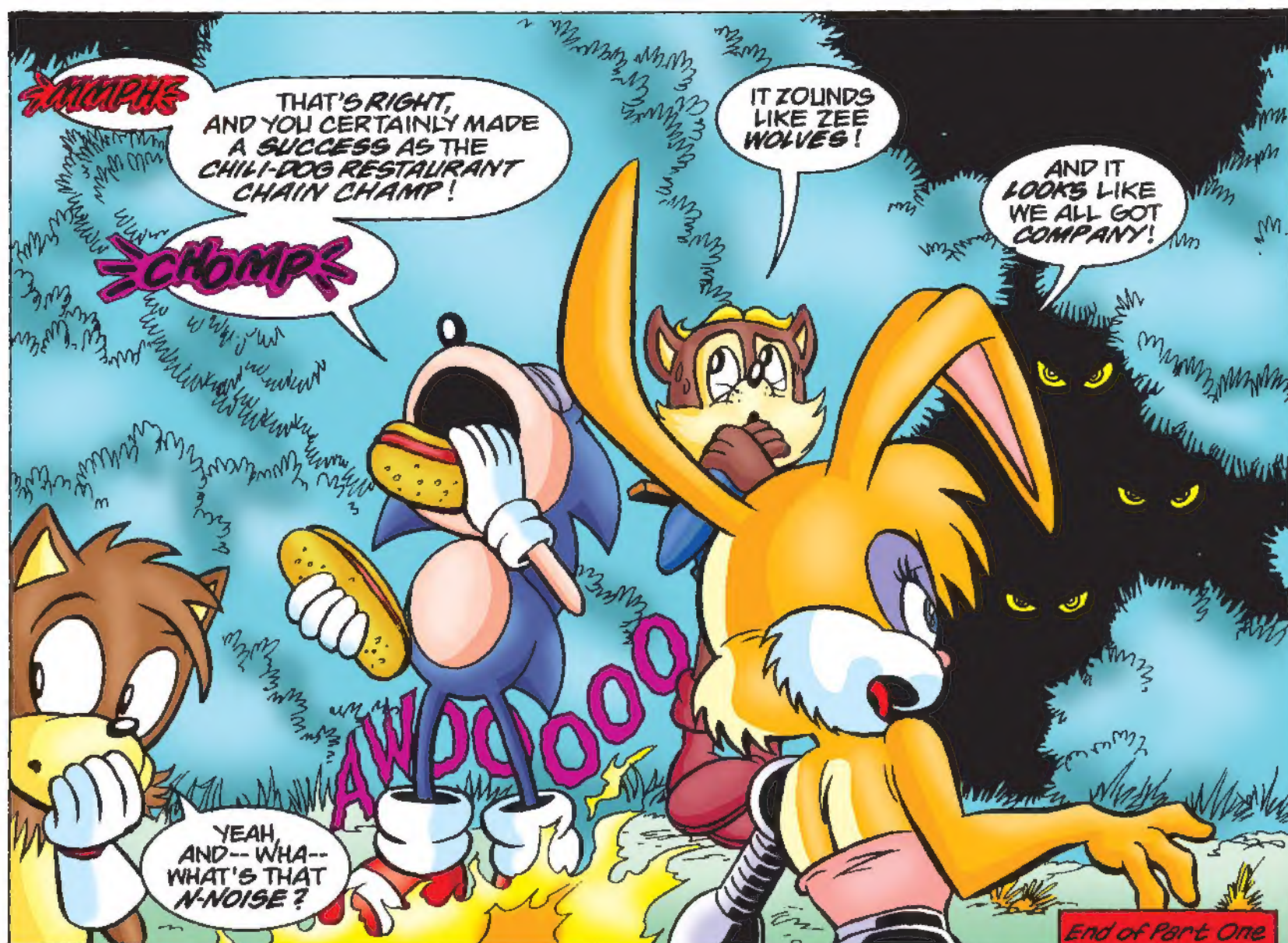
THE TRUTH IS, I'M JUST ROBOTNIK'S *PAWN*! HE KNEW MY *GUILT* WOULD FORCE ME TO *RESIGN* MY POSITION AS THE KINGDOM'S *SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR*!

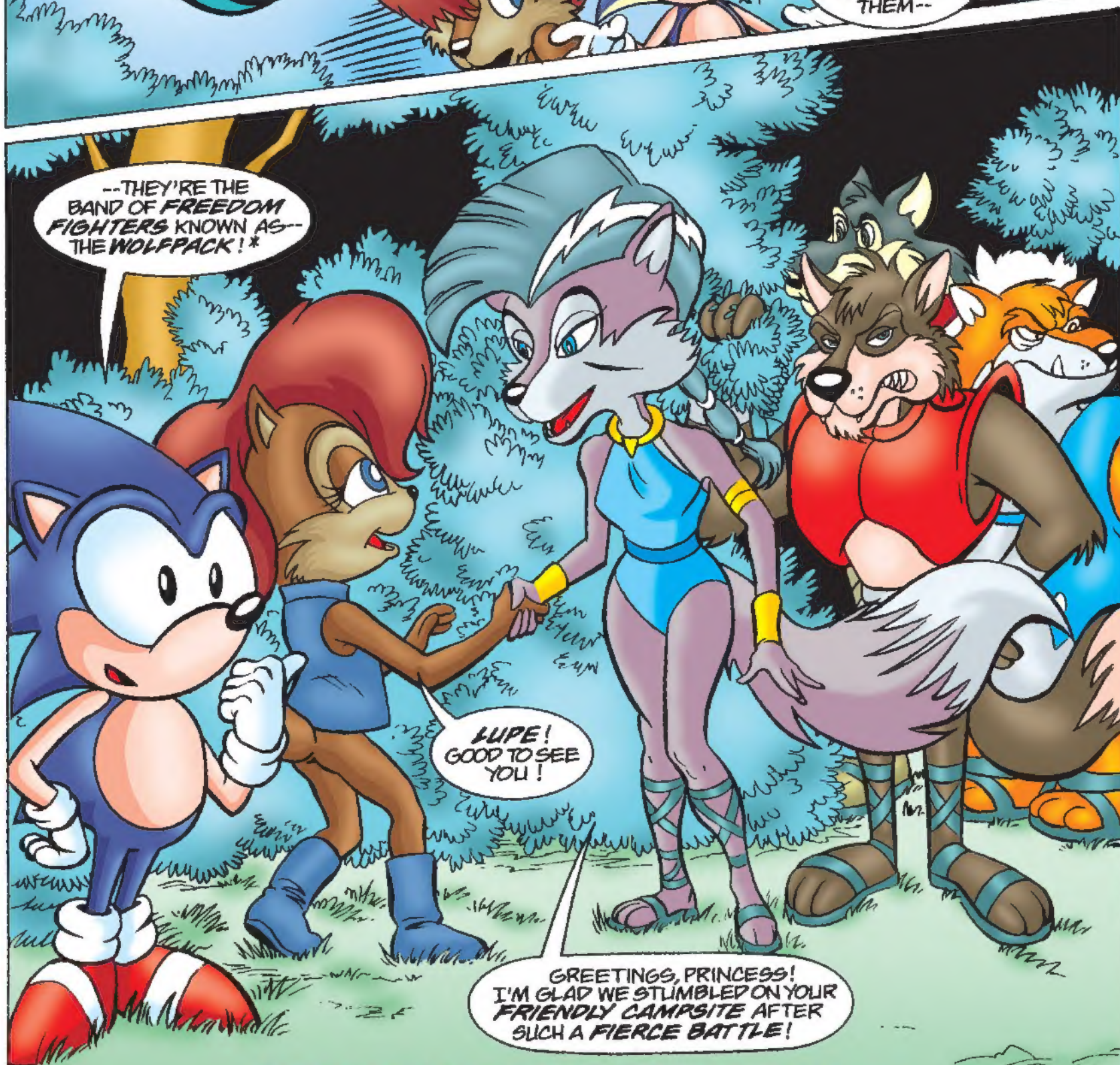
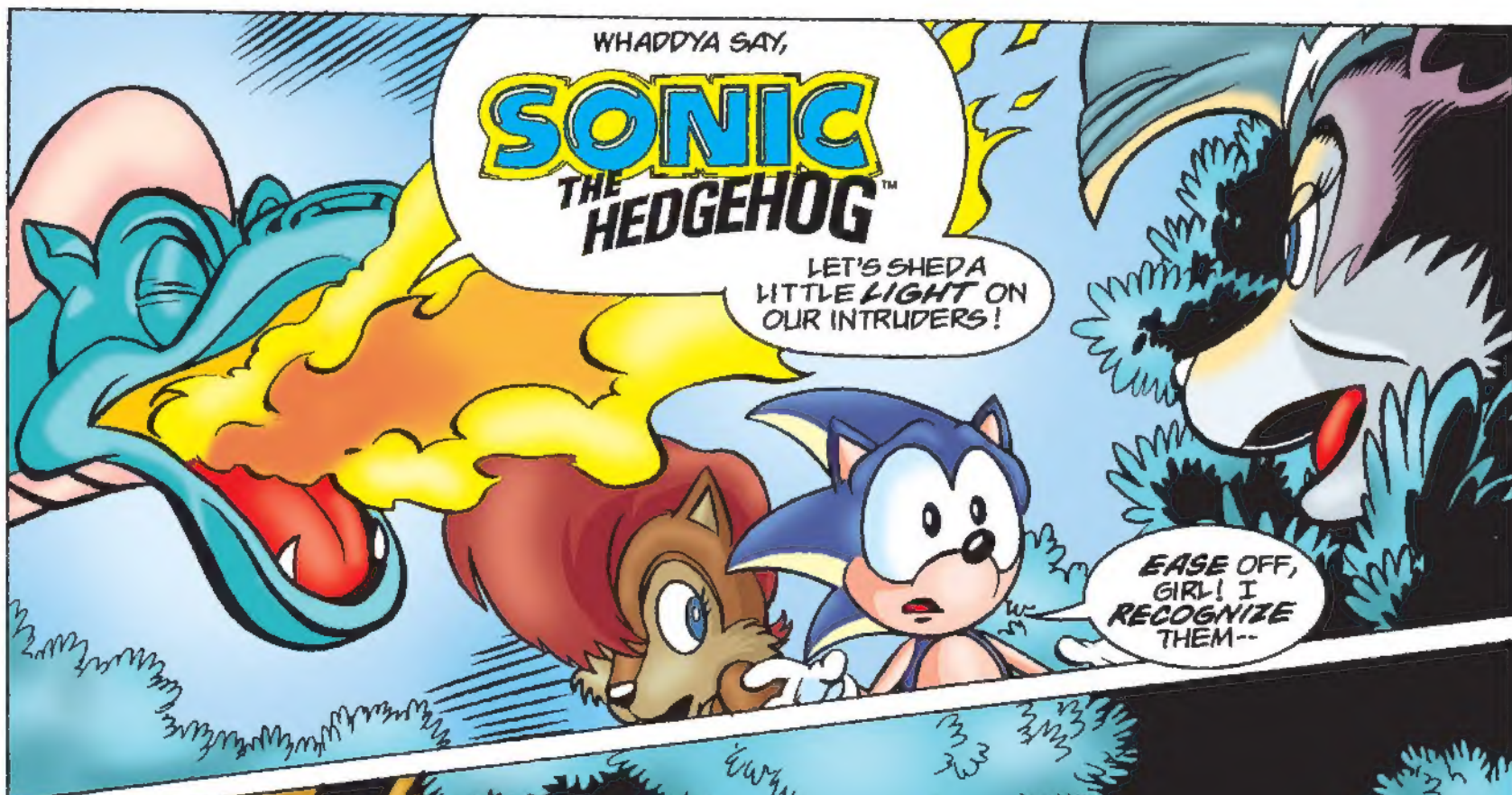
"SO I SUPPRESSED MY REMORSE BY TRANSFORMING FROM SIR CHARLES, INVENTOR, TO UNCLE CHUCK, CHILI-DOG PROPRIETOR!"

UNCLE CHUCK



* SONIC #42--EDITOR AGAIN!





* FIRST SEEN IN
THE ANIMATED
EPISODE "CRY
OF THE WOLF".
EDITOR.

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PART TWO

AS THE COVERT GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS DETAIL THEIR RECENT CONFLICT...

--AND ROBOTNIK'S BUILDING A NEW LINE OF **SUPER 'BOTS**!

I HOPE THEY'RE NOT WORSE THAN HIS **COMBOTS**!*



*LAST SEEN IN SONIC # 38--
EDITOR.

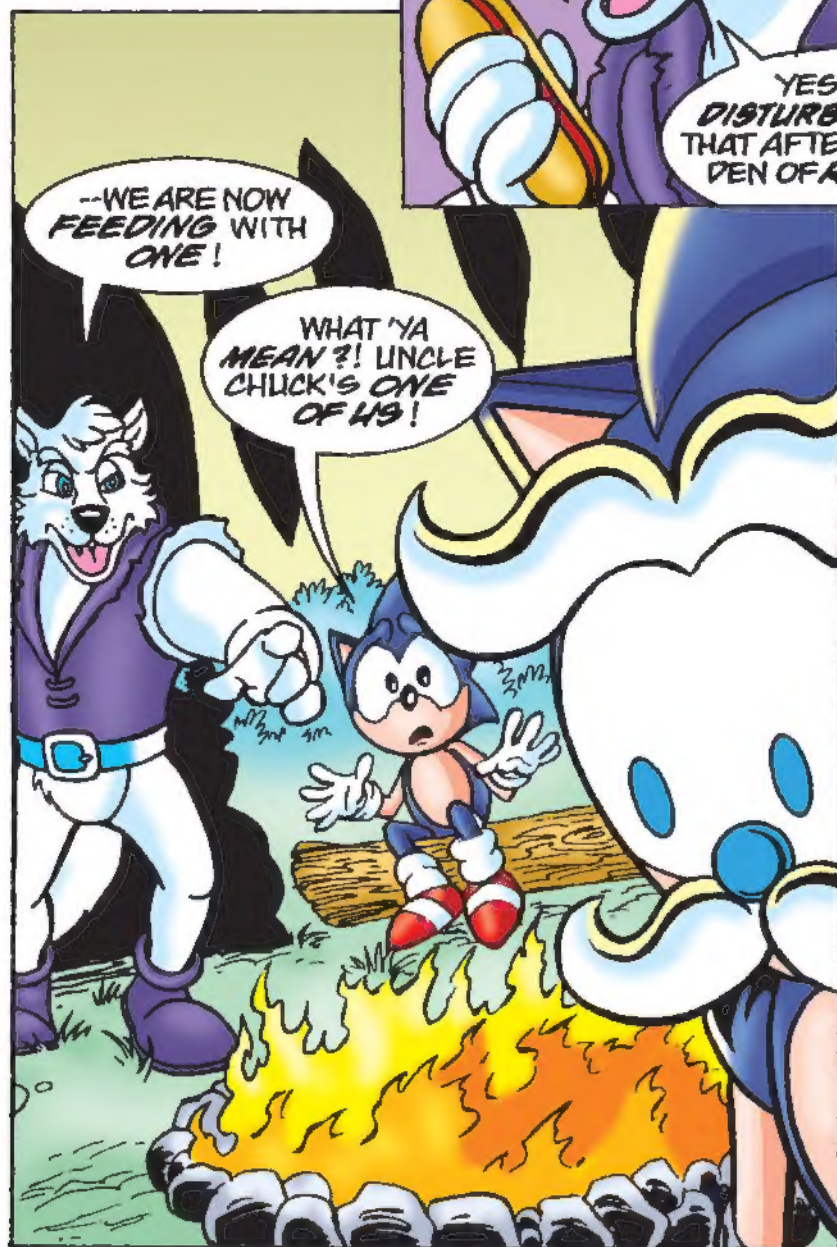
DRAGO, DON'T YA LIKE YER CHILI DO--ER--CHILI WIENER?

YES, WHAT'S DISTURBING ME IS THAT AFTER LEAVING A DEN OF ROBOTS--



--WE ARE NOW FEEDING WITH ONE!

WHAT YA MEAN?! UNCLE CHUCK'S ONE OF US!



REALLY? HOW DO YOU KNOW HE'S NOT ROBOTNIK'S SPY?

BECAUSE I SAY SO, TOUGH GUY!

--AND WHEN SONIC THE AMATEUR, SPEAKS, PEOPLE LISTEN!

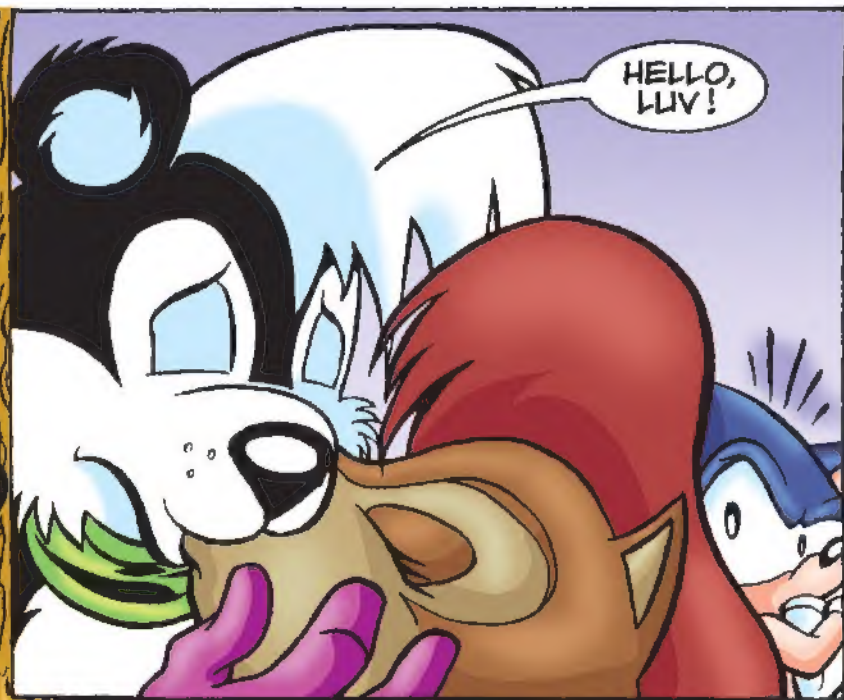


NOW TAKE MY
PROFESSIONAL
ADVICE--CLIMB DOWN ON
THE CAMPFIRE BEFORE
YOU ATTRACT THE **ENTIRE**
PLANET!

GEOFFREY
ST. JOHN*, WHAT
ARE YOU DOING
HERE?



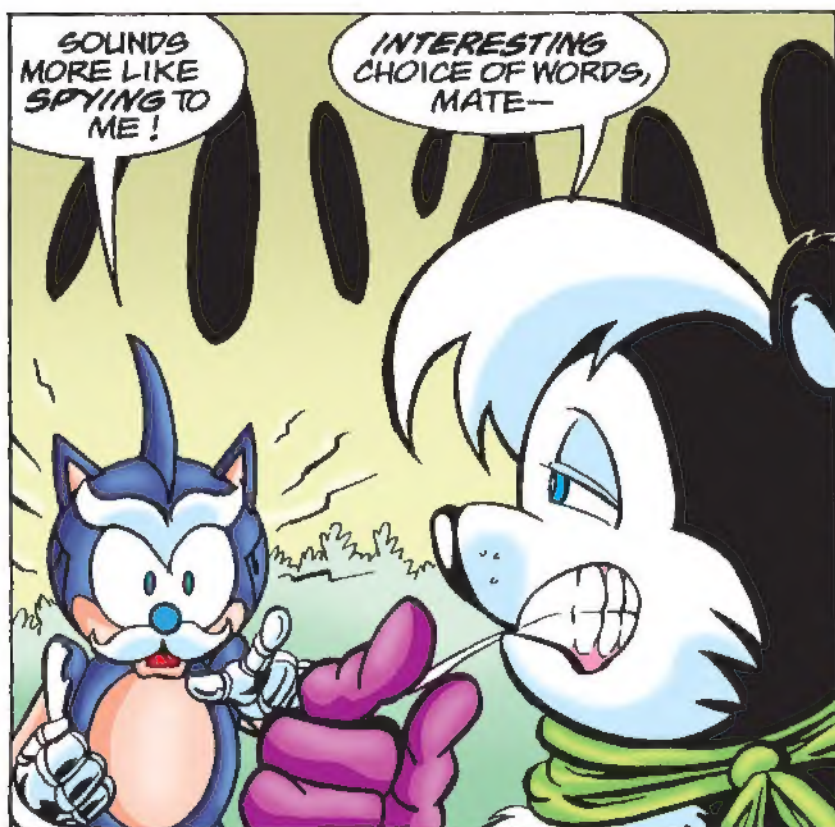
*REMEMBER HIM, GANG? HE FIRST
APPEARED IN THE PRINCESS SALLY MINI-
SERIES, AND HAS BEEN A PAIN IN SONIC'S
SIDE SINCE ISSUE #31! -- EDITOR.



HELLO,
LUV!



I GUESS YOU COULD SAY
I'VE BEEN DOING A BIT OF
"SLEUTH-ING" BY "DOG-GEDLY"
FOLLOWING **CHUCKIE'S**
EVERY MOVE!



SOUNDS
MORE LIKE
SPYING
TO
ME!

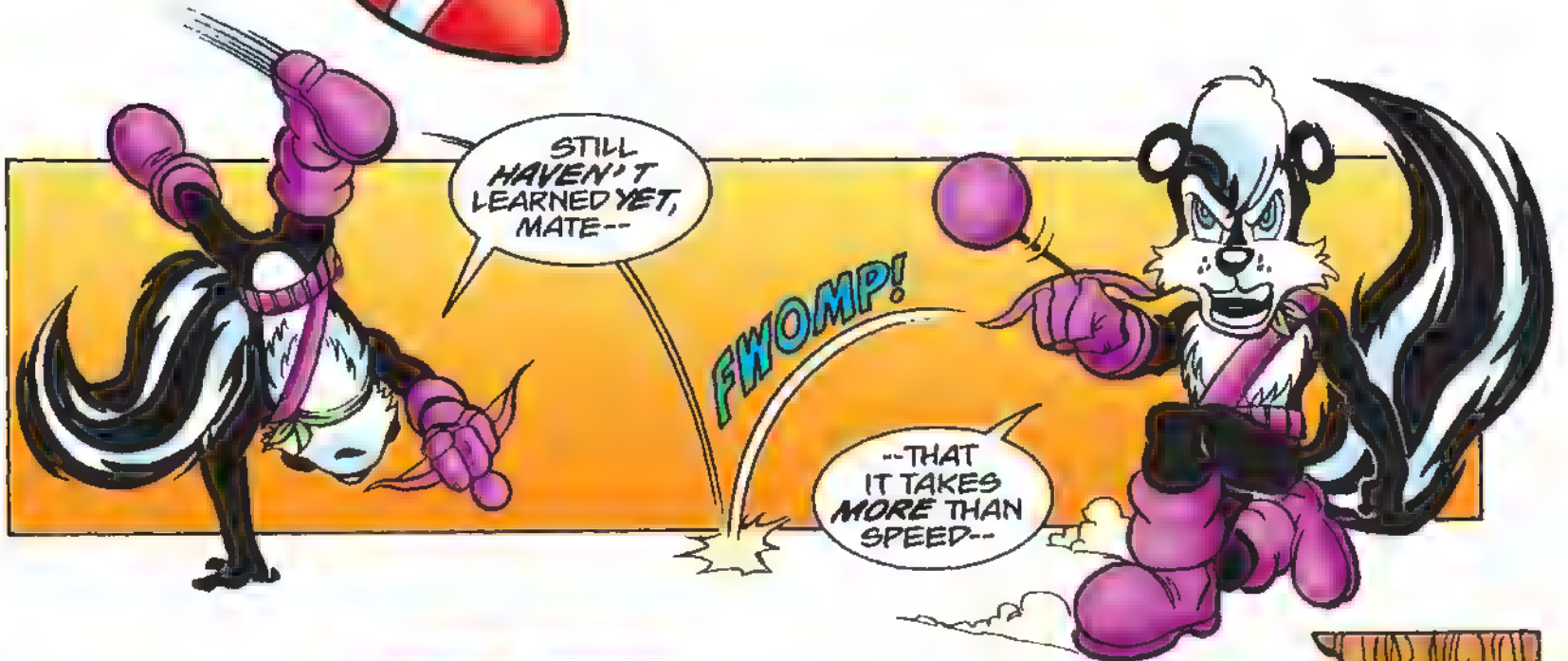
INTERESTING
CHOICE OF WORDS,
MATE--



--ESPECIALLY SINCE
THE **AGENT** WHO UNCOVERED
YOUR VIDEO WAS ONE OF
ROBOTNIK'S SPIES--**SLEUTH**
DOGGY DOG!

IS THIS
TRUE?





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PART THREE

THAT EES ENOUGH!

THE 'EDGEHOG MAY BE ZEE IMBECILE LIKE YOU, BUT EVEN HE DOES NOT DESAIRVE DEATH!

SAVED AND INSULTED IN THE SAME SECOND... NOW THAT'S SPEED!

THRACK!

WOW! WOTTA PUNCH!

WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM, MATE? THIS DOESN'T INVOLVE YOU!

MY PROBLEM IS WITH YOU, L'PEW.

I WILL NO LONGER SUBDULE MY DOUBTS ABOUT YOU!

YOU DAIRE TO SAY UNCLE CHUCK IS ZEE TRAITOR?

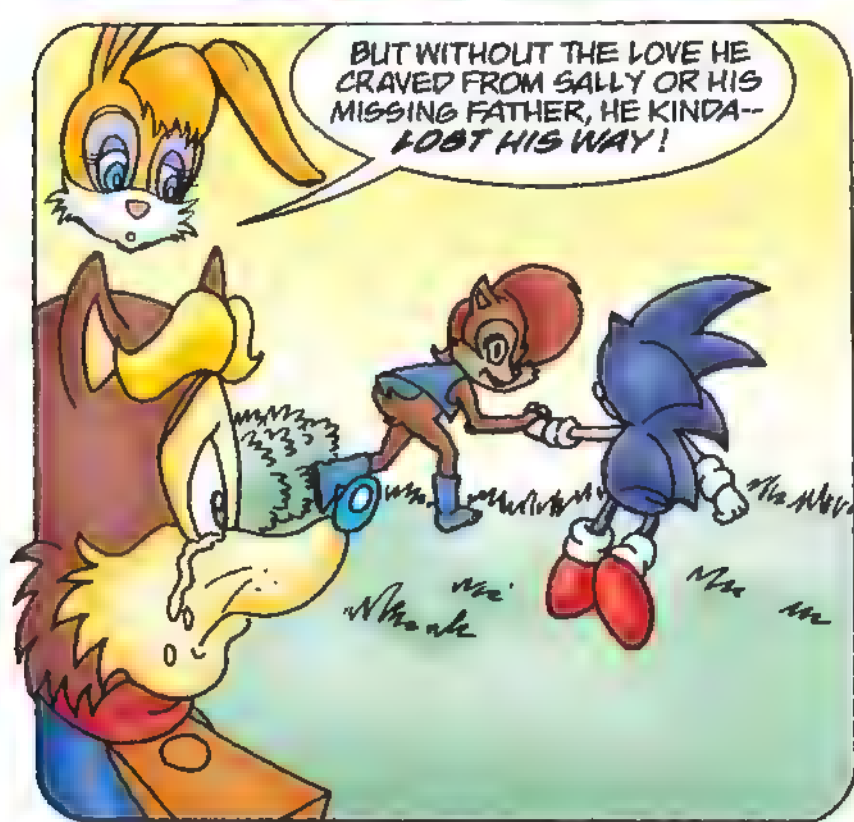
NO! IT IS YOU WHO ARE ZEE SPY!

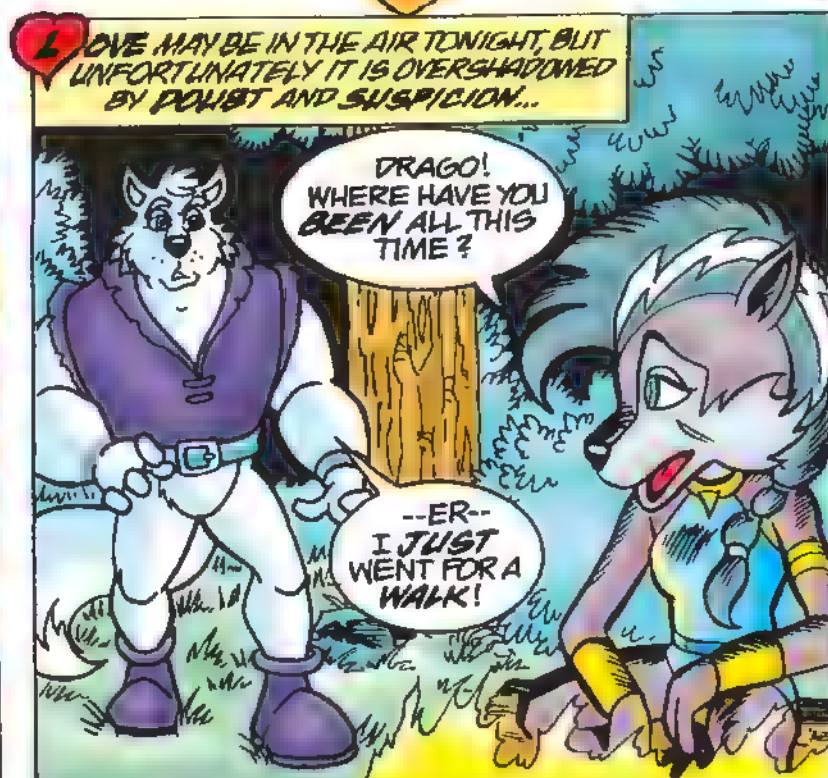
HOW CAN THAT BE?



WHO WAS THIS "SUPPOSED" GENERAL, MATE?

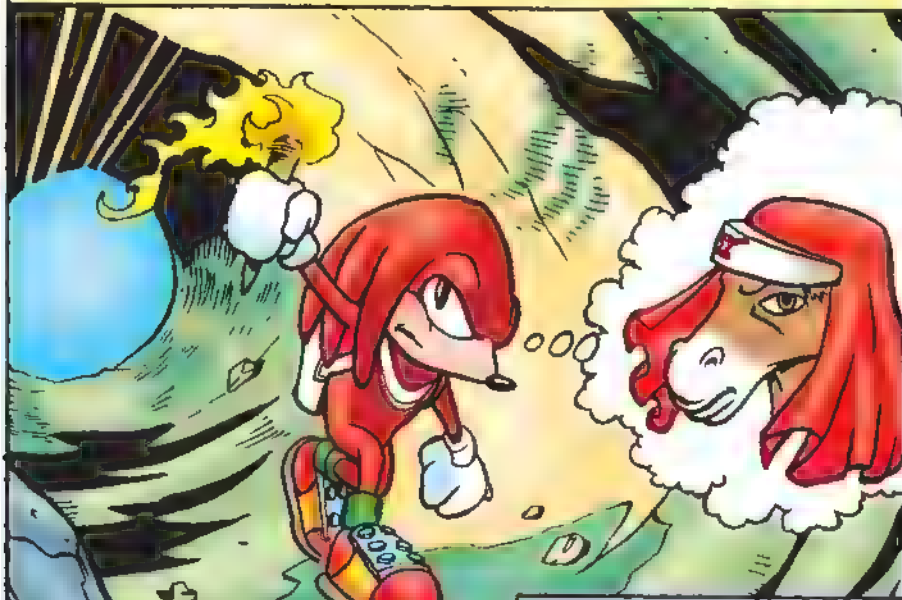








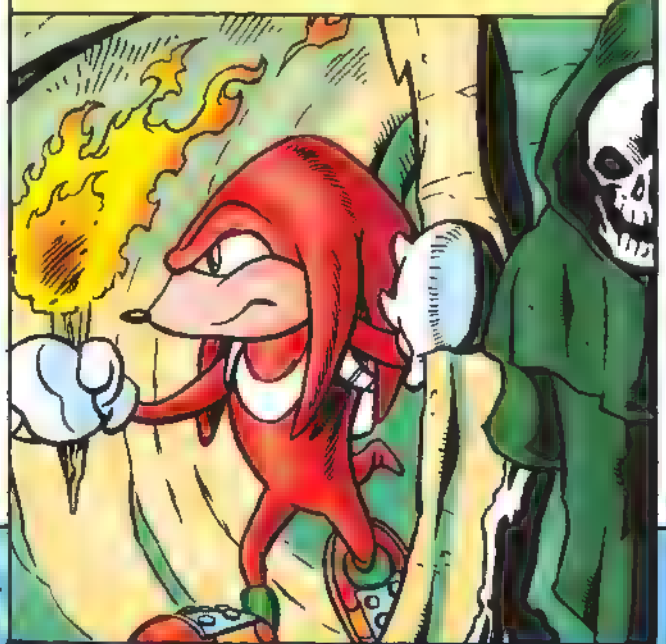
ON A QUEST TO FIND KING ACORN'S MAGIC SWORD, DESTINY DECREED KNUCKLES WOULD MEET A PALADIN!



* KNUX MET SIR CONNERY LAST ISSUE! -- ED

LIKE MANY HISTORIC EXPEDITIONS, THAT WHICH IS NOT FOUND BY FORTITUDE...

UNRAVELING THE HOLY KNIGHT'S CRYPTIC CLUES, THE HEROIC ECHIDNA VAINLY SEARCHES THE NUMEROUS CAVERNS OF HIS FLOATING ISLAND HOME.



KNUCKLES QUEST 4:

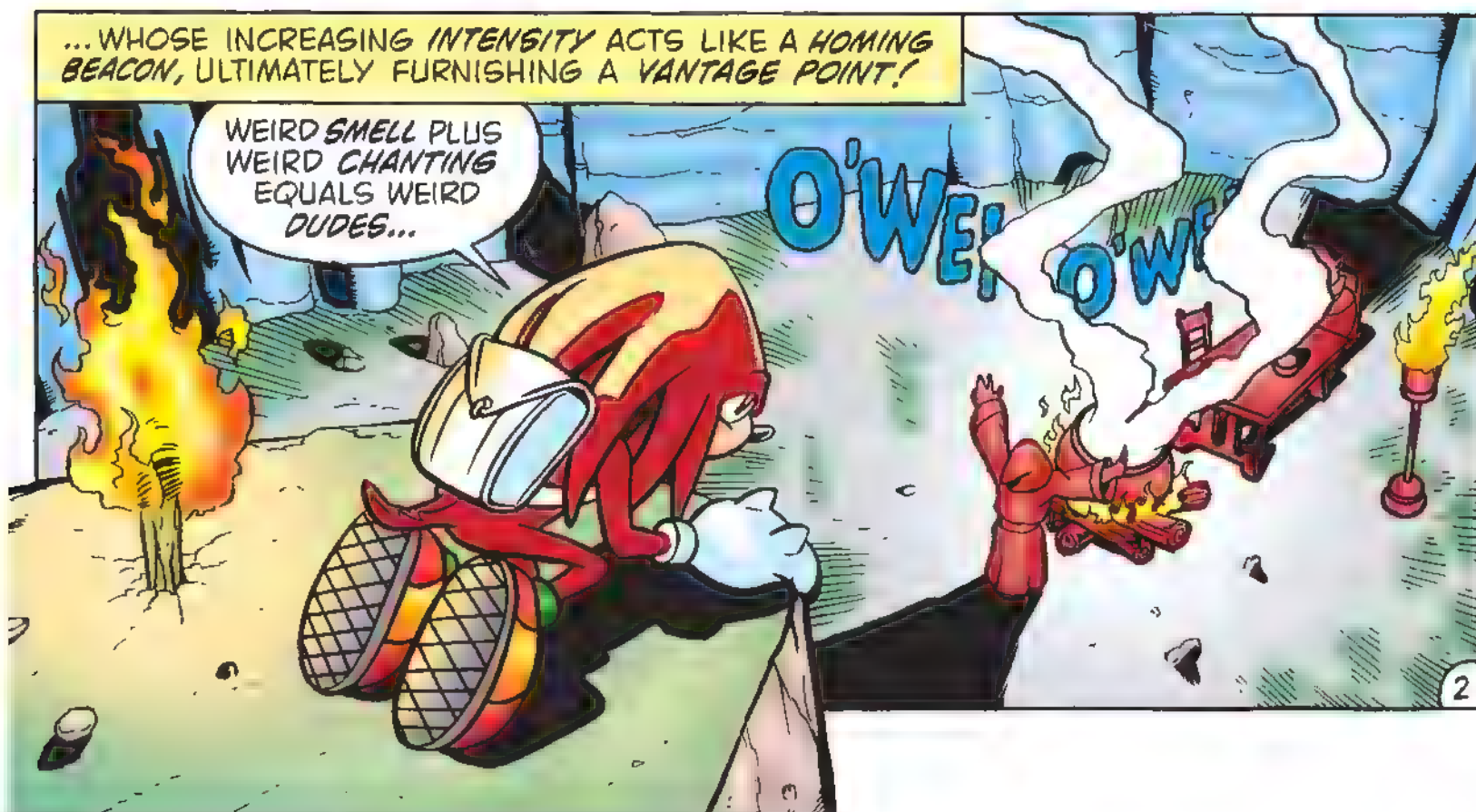
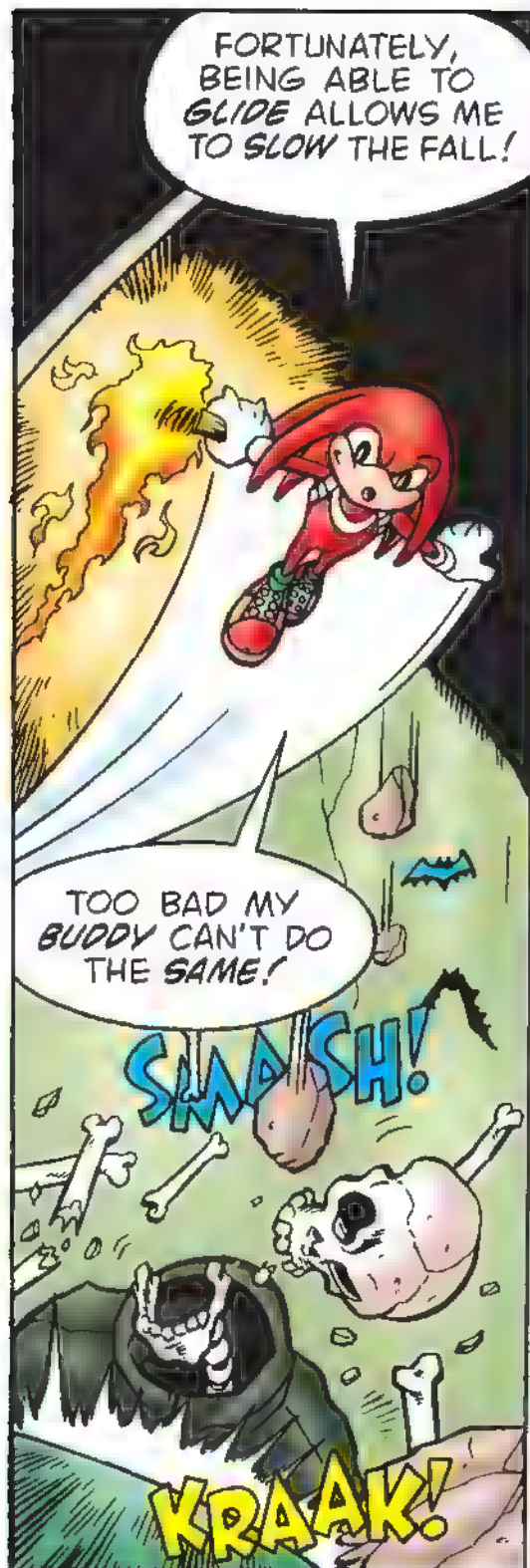
A GOAT, A RAVEN AND A SWAN SONG!

...CAN SOMETIMES BE DISCOVERED BY CIRCUMSTANCE...

WHOA! GUESS I SHOULD HEED THOSE OLD WARNINGS--

"--WATCH THAT FIRST STEP AND
"BEWARE OF SKELETONS
IN THE CLOSET!"

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... AND THOSE WEIRDOS LOOK LIKE
THE WIZARD AND ALCHEMIST THE ANCIENT
WALKERS WARNED ME ABOUT! *

* BACK IN SONIC #42 -- ED

"BASED ON WHERE I FOUND
THEM, I'LL BET THEY'RE
ALSO-- MATHIAS POE AND
DAMOCLES THE ELDER!"

THAT REFLECTION IS SHORT-LIVED,
AS THE SAME CIRCUMSTANCE THAT
BROUGHT KNUCKLES HERE ALSO
COMPROMISES HIS STRATEGIC POSITION

TIME FOR A LITTLE
SUR-PRIZE ATT--

WHOA!

